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In re Patent Application of)
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination of this application on the merits, entry of the following amendments is earnestly solicited.

In the Claims:

Cancel Claims 1-51 without prejudice to Applicants filing one or more continuation or divisional applications, as appropriate, directed to the subject matter of these claims.

Add new Claims 52-68 as follows:

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R2*

52. (New) A compound represented by Formula I:

$(L)_p(X)_q$

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where